Moving Texas insurance company records out-of-state (HB 843 by Criss/Whitmire)

DIGEST:

HB 843 would have changed the notice requirements in Insurance Code art. 1.28 regarding moving records and principal offices of Texas-chartered subsidiaries of insurance holding companies. HB 843 would have granted an exemption from the notice requirements to insurers who maintain their principal offices in Texas, allowing them to move out of the state records that are reasonably necessary or convenient to the transaction of its business in another state.

GOVERNOR'S REASON FOR VETO:

There is insufficient justification for this change in the law, especially since it would increase the regulatory costs to the State Board of Insurance out of Operating Fund #36.

RESPONSE:

Rep. Lloyd Criss, the author of HB 843, said this bill would not have increased any costs to the State Board of Insurance. He said the purpose of the bill was to clarify existing law, not to create any new law. The governor misunderstood that the intent of the bill was to create new functions.

NOTES:

The House Research Organization analysis of HB 843 appeared in the April 18, 1989 Daily Floor Report.